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Dear Kim:

I should have written you before this, but I was putting it off till I had more definite to say.

Much to my regret, the matter of your appointment, having been most enthusiastically in a forwarded by the Dean, was stalled in the President's office, and did not go through in my absence as I had predicted and hoped. It is on the way to being unstuck now, with nothing lost particularly except some few months and possibly some patience of both of us. Needless to say, if anything comes up with regard to your requirements and predilections please let me know as soon as possible. You will, of course, have more to go on when the formal offer comes through. I need hardly tell you that every geneticist here would welcome you with warmth and appreciation; to their number, I can tell you that Dean Bowers is now completely sold. However, since President Fred is due to retire in a few months, he has tended to procrastinate on appointments, which is not entirely unreasonable, and his office was persuaded to hold this one off until I had gotten back. I didn't really know this till about six weeks ago.

You will get some more details on the symposium soon; meanwhile, I enclose the 'official program'.

All the best to Barbee and the minor Atwoods,

As ever,